

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

V.

DOUGLAS BLOUIN,

**Defendant.**

CR16-307 TSZ

ORDER

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on defendant's unopposed motion for a continuance of the trial and the pretrial motions due date, docket no. 16, and the Court having considered the facts set forth in the motion, the speedy trial waiver executed by defendant, and the records and files herein, the Court finds as follows:

The Court finds that the ends of justice will be served by ordering a continuance in this case, that a continuance is necessary to ensure adequate time for effective case preparation, and that these factors outweigh the best interests of the public and defendant in a speedy trial.

1. A failure to grant the continuance would deny defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of

1 due diligence, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv). In addition, the  
2 failure to grant a continuance in the proceeding would be likely to result in a miscarriage  
3 of justice, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

4       2. The ends of justice will be served by ordering a continuance in this case, as  
5 a continuance is necessary to ensure adequate time for the defense to effectively prepare  
6 for trial. All of these factors outweigh the best interests of the public and defendant in a  
7 more speedy trial, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7).

8 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the trial date shall be continued from  
9 January 17, 2017, to April 3, 2017, and pretrial motions are to be filed no later than  
10 February 16, 2017.

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the resulting period of delay from the current  
12 trial date of January 17, 2017, until the new trial date is hereby excluded for speedy trial  
13 purposes under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (B).

15 || IT IS SO ORDERED.

16 || Dated this 14th day of December, 2016.

Thomas S. Balle

Thomas S. Zilly  
United States District Judge